

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 20 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 21 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 20 Mar 2021 at 03:43 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for settled weather over the weekend then more changeable weather pattern becoming established during first half of next week.

Headline for Saturday 20 Mar 2021: Cloudy, misty start with a little drizzle. Otherwise dry with sunny spells developing.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 20 Mar 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Fog	Fog	Mist	Sunny intervals	Drizzle	Mist
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	50%	10%

Forecast for Saturday 20 Mar 2021

Weather: Extensive mist and low cloud with a little drizzle, mostly dispersing in the morning to leave many ranges dry with sunny spells. Some mist patches lingering over hills near to west coast. Cloudier skies returning by evening with some light rain or drizzle.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% at first, mainly Trossachs, improving 70% during morning.

Visibility: Extensive mist and low cloud mostly dispersing during morning. Then good visibility with occasional cloud cover about 700 to 800m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/20 W	27/31 W	29/37 W	24/32 W	25/31 NW	16/20 NW	12/16 N
900	9/11 W	13/17 W	19/26 W	18/26 W	16/22 NW	11/15 NW	8/12 NW
600	11/13 SW	14/18 SW	17/24 W	14/20 W	13/18 W	9/12 W	8/11 W
300	4/5 N	6/8 N	10/16 W	10/16 NW	8/13 NW	5/8 NW	4/7 W
Glen	9/15 W	10/16 W	9/18 W	11/20 W	7/15 W	4/8 NW	5/9 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	5/1	2/-4	0/-7	-1/-8	0/-7	-1/-7	-3/-8
900	6/3	4/-0	3/-3	2/-3	2/-3	1/-3	-0/-4
600	5/2	4/-0	4/-1	4/-0	4/0	3/0	2/-1
300	6/4	5/3	6/4	7/4	6/4	6/4	4/2
Glen	6/3	7/4	8/6	9/6	8/6	7/6	6/4
Freezing Level*	2000m	1800m	1400m	1200m	1400m	1000m	800m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold on the tops with fresh winds and temperatures close to freezing. Sun glare to be expected from snow cover at higher elevations.

Forecast for Sunday 21 Mar 2021

Weather: Dry and bright for much of the day with sunny spells. Thicker cloud and a little rain edging in from west later in afternoon and during evening.

Maximum wind: Lighter westerly winds, average speeds of 15mph and gusts 30mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% decreasing 30% in west of area by evening.

Visibility: Very good for much of the day with patchy cloud cover about 800m. Turning increasingly misty over Mull, Lochaber and west Argyll hills later in afternoon with clouds coming well down the hills during evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero Celsius.
Freezing level: 800m.